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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR: Chapman *et al.*

FOR: METHOD FOR PURIFYING A BIOLOGICAL COMPOSITION

Box PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING APPLICATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

1. This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b). This application claims priority to USSN 09/945,979 filed September 4, 2001, USSN 09,827,491 filed April 6, 2001 and to USSN 60/263,417, filed January 22, 2001. The contents of these applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.
2. This application is a total of 39 pages. This application includes:

37 pages of specification (not including claims, abstract, or figures)
2 pages of claims
3. Also included is a Combined Declaration/Power of Attorney (unsigned).



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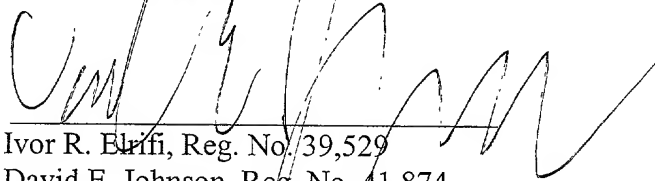
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4. Small entity status is appropriate for this application. Fees for this application have been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a) \$740.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	12	- 20 =	0	\$18.00	
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	2	- 3 =	0	\$84.00	
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))	0	0	0	\$260.00	
SUBTOTAL:					\$ 740.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					\$370.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$370.00

5. A check (#11434) in the amount of **\$370.00** is enclosed.
6. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 18242-508 CIP2.
7. A return receipt postcard is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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